



THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT BOARD OF ETHICS

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Rev. Dr. Gerald Folsom, Member
Lori M. Matthews, Member

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS Board Meeting Minutes March 11, 2026

Present: Kara Hunt, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)
Jason Papanikolas, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)
Rev. Dr. Gerald Folsom, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)
Lori M. Matthews, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)

Todd M. Turner, Executive Director (Microsoft Teams)
Roslyn Walker, Compliance Officer (Microsoft Teams)
Garry Bourke, Investigator (Microsoft Teams)
Fernando Casto-Gomez, Compliance Analyst (Microsoft Teams)

OPEN SESSION

I. OPENING OF MEETING

The Chair Pro Tem, Jason Papanikolas, opened the Board of Ethics ("Board") meeting at approximately 5:08 pm and welcomed all in attendance. There was a quorum of the Board of Ethics Members ("Board Members") present.

II. GENERAL BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The Board elected Jason Papanikolas, Board Member, to be the Chair Pro Tem until the Election of the Chair.

The Agenda for March 11, 2026, was approved by a vote of 4-0.

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- Approved

The Meeting Minutes for January 14, 2026, and February 11, 2026, were not approved due to changes in Board membership. Draft minutes for both months to be posted on the OEA/BOE website.

III. ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR

The Board requested to hold the Election of Board Chair for the next meeting, scheduled in April 2026.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The Executive Director (ED) informed the Board of the following Office of Ethics and Accountability (OEA) compliance activities:

- OEA welcomed the new Board Members to the Board of Ethics.
- OEA has been receiving CY 2025 Financial Disclosure Statements (FDS) on a steady basis. Notifications will continue to be sent to County employees, board, and commission members with the deadline of April 30, 2026, for submittal. Public Service Announcements will be sent to all County employees and officials regarding the April 30th filing deadline.
- The 2025 Lobbyist Annual Reporting filings were due January 31, 2026, and there was a 98% completion rate.
- The February 2026 Lobbyist registrations were posted to OEA's website, provided to the Executive and Legislative Branches, and included in Board backup.

The Executive Director informed the Board of the following items:

- The Board was notified that OHRM kicked off the mandatory online Annual Compliance Education (ACE) program for all County employees, which included required Ethics and Political Activity trainings. ACE training is to be completed within 90 days of starting and with an end date of June 2026.
- The Board was notified that a Consultant Firm hired by the County Executive Office is conducting Agency Operations Review and OEA participated in a session.
- The Board was notified of the announcement of the proposed budget from the County Executive Office on March 12, 2026.
- The Board was provided with an update of the County elections ending last month, along with a referral related to the County Seal.
- The Board was notified of the outreach event for the BowieFest was cancelled.
- The Board was provided an update of OEA's English/Spanish Informational brochure.

- The Board was provided an update on proposed State legislation – HB 328 (PG/MC 105-26), a local bill addressing the FDS filing process with OEA by Bi-County agencies. The Prince George’s and Montgomery County House Delegations passed the bill.
- The ED also participated in a regional podcast – the Federal News Network Program "*The Search for Accountability*" - to provide an overview of the role of OEA at the local level.
- The Board Members were reminded to submit their FDS by the deadline of April 30, 2026.

Finally, the Board was provided with the Ethics Advice Table for February 2026, which summarized the informal ethics advice, information requests, and legal advice provided by OEA. The Board was also provided with a Case Status Report.

V. READING OF WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING MEETING UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

At 5:29 pm, a motion was made by Chair Pro Tem Jason Papanikolas and seconded by Board Member Hunt to close the open portion of the meeting to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosure about a particular proceeding or matter. Board Chair Pro Tem Papanikolas read the statement. A vote of 4-0 approved the motion.

This meeting was closed under General Provisions Art. §3-305(b) for the following reasons: (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business, and (13) to comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.

Those in attendance were as follows:

- Kara Hunt, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)
- Jason Papanikolas, Chair Pro Tem (Microsoft Teams)
- Rev. Dr. Gerald Folsom, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)
- Lori M. Matthews, Board Member (Microsoft Teams)

- Todd M. Turner, Executive Director (Microsoft Teams)
- Roslyn Walker, Compliance Officer (Microsoft Teams)
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VI. CLOSED SESSION

Financial Disclosure Statements

The Board was informed there were no FDS Violations and FDS Late Fee Waiver Requests at this time.

Lobbyists

The Board was provided a list of Lobbyist Late Fee Waiver Requests and concurred with OEA recommendations.

Investigations

25-0281, 26-0026, 26-0146 & 26-0251 – Use of Prestige of Office, County Resources, Conflict of Interest & FWAI -The Board was provided with an update on four (4) cases that have been referred.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

At the conclusion of all business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 pm. The motions were approved 4-0.

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, @ 5:00 pm.